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PROCEEDINGS

EIGHTH DAY

(Continued) (Monday, March 15, 2021)

The Senate met at 11:24 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

MOTION TO ADJOURN RECONSIDERED

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the motion by which the Senate adjourned was reconsidered.

Senator Whitmire withdrew his motion to adjourn.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

On motion of Senator Whitmire, Senator Miles was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness.

On motion of Senator Whitmire, Senator Bettencourt was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following Message from the Governor was read and was filed with the Secretary of the Senate:

STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

MESSAGE

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH TEXAS LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION:

I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, pursuant to Article III, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution and by this special message, do hereby submit the following emergency matters for immediate consideration to the Senate and House of Representatives of the 87th Legislature, now convened:

Legislation relating to the correction of any billing errors by the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), including any inaccurate excessive charges and any issues regarding ancillary service prices.

Respectfully submitted, /s/Greg Abbott Governor

Austin, Texas March 9, 2021

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was introduced, read first time, and referred to the committee indicated:

SB 2142 by Hughes

Relating to correcting the prices of wholesale power and ancillary services sold in the ERCOT market during a certain period.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED (Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Huffman and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a), Senate Rule 11.18(a), and Senate Rule 11.19 were suspended in order that the Committee on Jurisprudence might meet and consider **SB 2142** today.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Whitmire, the Senate at 11:31 a.m. adjourned, in memory of Lewis Hill, Ron Davis, and William L. Warmuth, until 12:00 p.m. today.